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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Finow AirfieldEVALUATION See below

PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT 18 December 1949 to 16 January 1950

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8 March 1950

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REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

2 photographs

REMARKS

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1. Three twin-engine transports landed at the Finow (N 53/V 08) airfield on 18 December 1949. There was no flying. Forty single-engine and twin-engine aircraft were counted on the northern edge of the field.

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2. The attached eight photographs were taken of the field. It was not possible to approach closer to the field as it was strictly guarded.

3. Up to 12 fighters with in-line engine and rounded wing tips daily practiced flying at the field from 9 to 16 January 1950. The planes were parked in the open. The field was strictly guarded. An underground fuel dump was apparently not available as the planes were refueled from tank trucks. Trucks were seen at the field. The field personnel were quartered in Finow.

Comment:

a. The occupation of the field by fighter units is again confirmed. From the number of planes it is assumed that a fighter regiment is stationed there. It is also indicated that two regiments are at the field. This has not been confirmed. Besides the fighter units, the headquarters of a fighter division is also assumed to be stationed in Finow. This possibly accounts for the presence of some LI-2 transports. The presence of fighters and transports is confirmed by the attached photographs.

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Length of airway: 260 kilometers
Fuel supply: 2½ hours
Altitude of plane: 400 meters
Calling signal: AM, 505 kc.

Annex: 8 Photographs

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